

AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the first complete paragraph at page 40, lines 4-11, with the following amended paragraph:

-- As used herein, the term "botulinum toxin serotype A recognition sequence" is synonymous with "BoNT/A recognition sequence" and means a scissile bond together with adjacent or non-adjacent recognition elements sufficient for detectable proteolysis at the scissile bond by a BoNT/A under conditions suitable for clostridial toxin protease activity. A scissile bond cleaved by BoNT/A can be, for example, [[Gln-Ala]] **Gln-Arg**.--